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Dear Parents/Carers,

Jolly Jumper Day - Do Your Bit In A Festive Knit - Friday 10th December

It's no secret our frontline heroes at Birmingham Children's Hospital work their magic every single day. This year we will, again, be supporting them by taking part in Jolly Jumper Day and helping to add the sparkle by raising money for the hospital and patients. On Friday 10th December, we are inviting children to wear a Christmas jumper (if they have one) or alternatively a brightly coloured jumper instead of their normal school jumper or cardigan. We ask that they wear the rest of their school uniform as usual. If you wish to make a donation we will ensure this is forwarded to the hospital charity on your behalf. Donations can be made via Parentpay. Let's join in the festive fun!

Christmas Lunch

We will be enjoying our Christmas lunch in school on Thursday 9th December. A vegetarian option will be available. If you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch in school on this day please order their choice via the Schoolgrid app. Contact the school office if you need help to do this.

Get involved in SEND Co-production and 'Have your Say' workshop opportunities

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Christmas Performances

Well done to the Reception and Year One classes who have already performed their Christmas performances to their parents. The children have all done very well. We are looking forward to seeing the rest of the Christmas performances this week and next week.

Milk Letters

Milk letters were sent home for the spring term last week. Order forms and payment via Parentpay must be received by **9am on Friday 10th December** at the very latest. If your child is in a Reception class, please do not assume they will continue to receive milk even though they are under five. A new order form must be completed and sent to school. Spare letters can be obtained from the school office.

Lunchtime Club Letters For Spring Term 2022

Letters were sent home last week for the lunchtime clubs next term. The closing date for return of reply slips and payments via Parentpay is **9am Friday 10th December**.

Diary Dates.

Wednesday 8th December 9.30am - RH, Turtle class Christmas performance.
Wednesday 8th December 2pm - 1C, Penguin class Christmas performance.
Thursday 9th December- Christmas lunch in school.
Thursday 9th December- Butterfly nursery children Christmas Workshop - 9.10am and 1.10pm.
Friday 10th December - Ladybird nursery children Christmas Workshop - 9.10am and 1.10pm.
Friday 10th December-Jolly Jumper Day
Friday 10th December - Virtual Father Christmas visit.
Monday 13th December 2pm - 2S, Parrot class Christmas performance.
Tuesday 14th December 2pm - 2M, Meerkat class Christmas performance.
Tuesday 14th December- Nursery Christmas parties.
Wednesday 15th December 2pm - 2PB, Frog class Christmas performance.
Thursday 16th December - Reception, Year One and Year Two Christmas parties.
Friday 17th December - Resource Base classes Christmas parties.
Friday 17th December- Break up for Christmas holidays.
Tuesday 4th January 2022- Professional Development Day-school closed to all pupils.
Wednesday 5th January- School re-opens to pupils.
Friday 18th February- Break up for half term holidays.
Monday 28th February- School re-opens to all pupils.



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Reception Admissions - September 2022

The online application process is now live to register your child for Reception 2022. Please visit the website at:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions for further information. The closing date for applications is **Saturday 15th January 2022**.

Book Bags

We now have book bags in stock in school. If you would like to purchase one for your child, please make the payment via Parentpay and your child will receive their new bag.

Busy Bodies News

Please be aware that your December fees have now been deducted. Kindly check your child's ParentPay account to ensure that your payments are up to date. Should you have any queries with regards to your child's account please do not hesitate in contacting the Busy Bodies manager who will be happy to help.

Year Two Parents

Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2022

Letters were sent home last week to all year two children.

The transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 online application form can be found by visiting:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The closing date for applications is **Saturday 15th January 2022**.

Lego

If anybody has any Lego that they no longer require, please would you consider donating it to school. Thank you.

Nursery Admissions September 2022

Nursery registrations forms to apply for a nursery place for September 2022 are available from the Infant school office.

Ordering Lunches Via School Grid

Please can we remind parents that you need to order lunches for your child each week via School Grid.

Newsletter:

The weekly newsletter can also be found on the school website: <https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk>

Congratulations Board

Week Commencing 22/11/21

Year One - Habiba, Gursimran & Gia

Year Two - Nate, Isabella & Leo

Week Commencing 29/11/21

Year One - Ella, Taran & Winnie

Year Two - Charlotte, Benjamin B & Frederick

Nursery Christmas Party

The Nursery Christmas parties will be held on Tuesday 14th December. Further information regarding party food will be sent home in the nursery newsletter.

Christmas Parties

Reception, Years One and Two - Thursday 16th December.

Resource Base Classes - Friday 17th December.

Children may wear their party clothes to school on this day. Your child will receive a brown paper bag to bring home, decorate and return to school on party day with a piece of fruit, a cake and a bag of crisps. This will be your child's party food, we will not be sharing food as we usually do. As you know we are a healthy eating school but we are making an exception on this occasion. Please ensure that food does not contain nuts.

Email addresses for correspondence specific to your child's class/year group.

bib-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

nursery-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

reception-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr1-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk

yr2-contact@boldmere.bham.sch.uk



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Message from Mr Glasgow:

Staff Leavers

Mrs Julie Goaley- Boldmere Junior Office- They say "good things come to those who wait" and Mrs Goaley certainly has waited. After 24 years of amazing service, Mrs Goaley has taken the difficult decision to retire from her role and finishes her post at the end of this term, when we break up for Christmas.

I have had the privilege and pleasure of working with Mrs Goaley for the last 13 years and she is an "absolute superstar" who will be missed greatly at our schools.

I cannot put into words how grateful we are to Mrs Goaley for all that she has done for so many staff, children and parents across our schools and always with a smile on her face. I cannot even recall Mrs Goaley being absent from her post for any reason over all these years which demonstrates her absolute dedication to our schools.

Mrs Goaley is certainly "one in a million" and I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the very best for her retirement and for the future.

Thank you Mrs Goaley!

Mrs Vicki Eccles - Teacher - As you were made aware in the junior newsletter last week. We are also saying goodbye and good luck to the amazing Mrs Eccles, who will also be leaving us this Christmas.

After 10 wonderful years at Boldmere Schools, Mrs Eccles has secured promotion at another school and our loss will certainly be their gain.

Mrs Eccles started her career at Boldmere Infants in September 2011, she was then seconded to work at the junior school in her current role from 2017. Throughout the whole of her time, Mrs Eccles has worked tirelessly to ensure all children in her many classes achieve the best they possible can. She is a fantastic teacher and her superb teaching skills along with her wonderful personality will be missed by us all.

Thank you for all that you have done at Boldmere Mrs Eccles and I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Eccles all the very best at her new school in her new role.

Good Luck!

New Staff January 2022

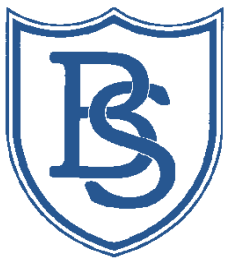
Mr Matthew Sadler- Junior Head Of School - As mentioned in a previous newsletter we are eagerly anticipating the arrival of Mr Sadler as our new junior Head of School from January.

Since his appointment, Mr Sadler has been into our school on several occasions to allow him to transition into his new role, for when he officially starts his post in January 2022.

I am sure you will join me in welcoming Mr Sadler to our wonderful Boldmere Community in the New Year.

Mrs Kerry Preece- Boldmere Inclusion Base Leader/Manager - We are really pleased to be able to inform you that Mrs Kerry Preece has been successfully appointed as an Assistant Head Teacher to manage and lead on the increasing provision that our Inclusion Base provides. We are delighted to have been able to recruit Mrs Preece and she joins us from her current role as lead professional of the Communication and Autism Team (CAT) for Birmingham Local Authority. She has extensive knowledge of SEND provision and we are delighted to have her as part of the Boldmere team.

I am sure you will also join me in welcoming Mrs Preece also to our wonderful Boldmere Community.



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PTA News

Christmas Cards - order by 8th December

The children have completed their beautiful Christmas card designs in class. Please visit <https://mychildsart.co.uk/order/parent-portal/login/> to place your orders using the Username - Boldmere and the Password - MhJRX6cZ.

If you have not already placed an order, MyChildsArt have advised to order by 8th December to guarantee pre-Christmas delivery.

The BIG Christmas Raffle - Final chance to buy your tickets

For only £3 your ticket will be entered into 12 daily raffle draws from 7-18 December, so you have 12 chances of winning up to £5,000! Please visit the following link to buy your tickets and for more

details: <https://www.bigptaraffle.co.uk/support/boldmere-junior-school-and-infant-school-pta-b73>

Elfridges Gift Shop - Friday 10th December

Orders have now closed, thank you so much to everyone who has purchased Elfridges gifts, it has been a record-breaking year! The PTA Elves are busy getting ready to open our Christmas Shop. Children with pre orders will be invited into the Elfridges Shop in school on Friday 10th December. If you've placed an order, please **bring a carrier bag** to school on Friday 10th to make it easy for the children to carry their gifts home.

Christmas Fair Raffle Winners

All raffle winners have now been contacted by one of our volunteers and have been asked to collect their prize from the relevant school offices. Congratulations!

Christmas Shopping

Please consider using www.smile.amazon.co.uk or www.easyfundraising.org.uk/boldmereschoolspta Both are free and easy to sign up to. Once you've signed up the PTA will receive a small but essential percentage of every purchase made that will benefit our school and all our children.

Coming in 2022

Looking ahead to 2022 we have some exciting events and activities to look forward to. Especially exciting for parents and staff, PTA volunteers have already started to plan the return of the PTA Ball. We can't wait to share more details in the New Year!

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way to the PTA this term, we couldn't do it without you. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Savantha Kenny

Mrs S Kenny
Head of
School
07/12/2021

